

**WESTERN TECHNICAL COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD**  
**Minutes to District Board Budget Review Meeting**  
**April 28, 2020**

Mr. Andrew Bosshard, District Board Chair, called the Budget Review meeting of the Board of Western Technical College District to order at 9:02 am on Tuesday, April 28, 2020 in Room 408 of the Western Technical College Administrative Center, 111 Seventh Street North, La Crosse, WI. Meeting was conducted virtually via Zoom technology. Board members present were: Andrew Bosshard, Kara Burgos, Carrie Buss, Dave Laehn, Ed Lukasek, Ken Peterson, Michelle Greendeer-Rave, Angie Lawrence, Dennis Treu and Roger Stanford, President.

Others present (for portions or all of the meeting): Amy Schmidt, Wade Hackbarth, John Heath, Kat Linaker, Amy Thornton, Rande Daykin, Mike Swenson, Patti Balacek, Janice Strupp (Western staff)

Notice of the meeting was posted publicly on Friday, April 24, 2020 at 1:03pm with the agenda being distributed to interested persons, sent to the District's official newspaper (The La Crosse Tribune), and distributed to other news media throughout the District in compliance with Wisconsin Statutes, Sections 19.81 through 19.98.

The District Board was provided an overview of the 2020-21 budget development. Primary areas of focus were: operating revenue, operating expenditures, fund balance, and fiscal 2020-21 recommendations to the budget

11:17am: Motion Burgos, second Lukasek, that the Western Technical College Board will convene into closed session for the purpose of discussing potential contract non-renewals and reductions under the provisions of Wisconsin Statutes, Sec. 19.85 (1)(c). The Board will convene into closed session, pursuant to s. 19.85(1)(c)(e), Wis. Stats. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters, and the President's Evaluation. The Board will convene into open dialog session immediately following closed session. Roll call: Burgos, yes; Buss, yes; Lawrence, yes; Laehn, yes; Lukasek, yes; Peterson, yes; Treu, yes; Bosshard, yes. Motion carried.

11:27am: Western staff excused from closed session.

11:48am: Motion Lukasek, second Treu that the Western Technical College District Board reconvene into open session. Roll call: Buss, yes; Burgos, yes; Greendeer-Rave, Laehn, yes; Lukasek, yes; Treu, yes; Lawrence, yes; Peterson, yes; Bosshard, yes. Motion carried.

Action during closed session and read into open session. The board discussed the president's compensation and noted their desire to adjust the president's compensation over the next two fiscal years to reflect peer group comparisons. The board acknowledged that it is inadvisable to offer any adjustments to compensation in light of the current pandemic conditions and uncertain future College funding sources. The board commits to revisit, and if possible act on, this matter during FY 20-21 and will meet again not later than November 2020 to discuss further.

Motion Burgos, second Laehn, that the Western Technical College District Board unanimously agreed to offer an amendment to the President's contract as follows: (1) to extend the term of the contract by one additional year (expires June 30, 2023), and (2) to provide the president with one additional week of vacation allowance (total 5 weeks). Motion carried.

11:49am: Motion Lawrence, second Lukasek, that with no further business to come before the Western Technical College District Board, the meeting be adjourned. Votes: Ayes 9; Opposed, 0. Motion carried.



Dave Laehn  
 District Board Secretary